should reach this office by Monday or at furthest Tuesday morning, to appear the same week. Long articles should reach the office the week previous to the desired insertion.

Clawson, the Mormon, who was convicted before the United States courts, for having too many wives, considers himself a martyr to religious liberty. The Mormon elders also hold this view, and it is to be remembered that Mormon elders claim that they are inspired, and that the church which they represent is *the* church.

The Sunday afternoon prayer meeting is kept full of interest by a zealous few. It does our heart good to see the young students take active parts in religious work, and pray God to bless them for every good effort. Could not every member of the Ashland City church take an active interest in prayermeeting work?

We are glad to notice that brother John Nicholson contemplates a tour eastward through Illinois and Indiana. Brother Nicholson is a faithful worker in the cause of his Master and the congregations securing his services will hear the gospel from honest lips, speaking the emotions of a heart filled with zeal for the Master's cause.

Holsinger and Swihart have a provoking way of alluding to events without informing us what they mean. One asks, "Did they retract? And the other answers, "No! they did not retract." But who knows what Gibson and Vanimen have been doing? Editors and ex-editors should know better than to send in their news so disjointedly.

One of our correspondents, a worthy minister, asks us to omit the title "Elder," from his name in making allusion to himself, as he considers that the title has fallen into disrepute. We cannot consent to drop a title that has been hallowed by the gospel, and dignified by many honored servants of God, because some have worn it who have been unworthy. Even the name Christian and Brethren is assumed by parties who are a disgrace to those honored names, but should we for this cause drop those names also?

H. P. Brinkworth, of Kansas, is paying (unwittingly perhaps) a noble tribute to Elder Forney, by saying that he is engaged in doing "uphill work." That is the right kind of work for brethren to do. Anybody can do down-hill work. Even dead fish can swim with the current down stream. It takes a live fish to swim against the current, up stream. Go on, brother Forney. Up-hill work may not be so easy, but it is a thousand times more inspiring, than the other, and the only way to reach the top is to work your way up higher.

Brother Mason desires us to announce that the Lexington church will hold a Lovefeast on Saturday, November 22nd. Services to commence at 3 P. M. Of course all are invited. The meeting house is in the village of Lexington, one mile north of West Alexandria, Preble county, Ohio.

There has been quite a controversy during the past few weeks, in the city of Cleveland, Ohio, over the question of admitting female students to Adelbert College. It seems that the faculty opposed the admission of females to the College but the question was finally submitted to the trustees who decided the matter in favor of their admission. Nothing but Silurian prejudice would oppose the coeducation of the sexes.

We give the following from brother Hixson a space in our editorial columns. We know it was not a want of appreciation that this gift to Ashland College was not noticed in the EVANGELIST.

Through an omission upon our part, the arrival of the donation of books to the College library, by A. H. Cassell, of Harleysville, Pa., was unnoticed. Our attention was called to this matter and we hasten to make the proper statement, and ask brother Cassell to pardon us for not making public mention of it sooner. We noticed the shipment of the gift but not the arrival.

We are much pleased with this donation and ask that the brethren take special interest in building up a library for Ashland College.

H. F. HIXSON.

The office editor on his way home on a visit to his family last week fell in with Elder Mauny-Smith who was on his way to Beech Grove German Baptist council meeting to answer to the charge of driving a team at a political parade. We proffered him our advice and sympathy, but could not encourage him to plead justification for his offence. It is safe to predict that as usual the case will be decided from personal considerations and not according to law.

If the Law (annual meeting Minutes) were enforced impartially some of the elders constituting the court would be self-condemned, for as we know, their families who are church members, patronize fairs and shows, which is as much a violation of the "minits" as to attend political meetings.

M. M. Eshelman of *Brethren at Work* notoriety has been writing some more Royal Crumbs for the *Gospel Messenger*. Here is a sample:

On the second of the tenth month quite a number of God's children gathered in a school house near the home of brother Philip Landis, in Osborne county, Kansas, to receive crumbs from the Lord's table. Each one felt and acted as if he had received a royal diadem from his God. Here the beloved in the Lord have been sorely tried by the lovers of division, but quite a number cannot be, and have not been moved or shaken, hence the Lord's work moves on. Of some the prophet can say: But ye are they that forsake the Lord, that forget my holy mountain, that prepare a table for that troop."

He closes his description of the Northwestern Kansas district meeting in allusion to the happy state in which its participants were in as follows: "It was a royal people, under a royal governor, controlled by a royal law and living on royal bread. No marvel they were happy!"

The Pall Mall Gazette, of London, England, did not overstate the case when it said that *The New York Independent* is "one of the ablest weeklies in existence." It is as overwhelming as a monthly or quarterly magazine, with all the matter in its many departments. Any monthly might indeed be proud if it could show as distinguished a list of contributors as *The Independent*. In a single department—its story department—we find, among Englishmen, such contributors as Sir Samuel W. Baker, the celebrated Egyptian explorer; Thomas Harder, W. E. Norris, James Payn, F. W. Robinson and Henry W. Lucy, the well-known and deservedly popular novelists; while among Americans we notice the names of Edward Everet Frank R. Stockton, H. H. Boyesen, Sarah O. Jewett, J. S., of Dale, Rebecca Harding Davis, and Harriet Prescott Spofford. *The Independent* printed also, recently, the last story from the pen of the late Ivan Tourgeneff, having secured the only translation from the Russian to English. This department is but a sample of others. It would seem to us that *The Independent* offers not only "fifty-two dividends during the year," but, in addition, a stock dividend with department. We advise our readers to send for a free sample copy.

We will send the BRETHREN'S EVANGELIST and the New York Independent for one year for $4.00.

Correspondence.

From Huntingdon, Ind.

DEAR EDITORS: I was reminded this morning of that portion of scripture which says, "He that has ears to hear, let him hear," for, instead of rising at five, as I supposed, I am up at four, thus being deceived in hearing and the hour in which I might have been sleeping I shall devote to writing to the readers of the EVANGELIST.

Now, from the scripture cited, we get the idea of different kinds of spirits and are told by what we shall try them. Before me is the Gospel Messenger, and immediately under the words, "Set for the defense of the Gospel," is a reference to Elder Quinter's sermon on "Doing all to the glory of God." Following it is is a splendid recommendation of the North American Review, but nowhere is there a reference to the EVANGELIST. That there are different spirits is plainly visible. Let us keep our ears open to the true Spirit of the Gospel.

On a short tour which I have lately taken, it occurred to me what a wonderful amount we hear of spirit work. One man, who does not profess Christianity, said that the spirit work among us is all wrong. Another, who had been disowned for having prayed when called upon by some one of another church, says that it seems to him the Old Order Brethren are chipping off one side of the German Baptists, and the Brethren are taking from the other side, and that it will not be long till these two churches will reach the center.

If we go to the proper land marks and seek the true way, we will find there the same Spirit that guided our fathers.

When we are asked how we expect to govern ourselves as Brethren, we answer, by the Gospel which governed Mack and his brethren. For a number of years the church was satisfied to teach only that which is contained in the Bible; but the time came when the far-reaching minds of a few men discovered that the scriptures had not been completed; therefore they took the liberty to add a few fly-leaves of annual meeting: thereby endangering themselves to the penalty spoken of in revelations, and filling the fraternity with discord and confusion. I ask in all candor, has the Good Spirit done this? You answer NO: then let us diligently search for the old paths and throw from our way the rubbish, opinions, customs, forms, ignorance, and superstition, that we may hear what the "Spirit saith unto the churches."

Elder A. J. Rosenbarger is expected to be with us on the evening of the 5th, and remain over the 8th, when we will hold our communion.

We expect soon to hold a series of meetings. May the Lord bless our efforts for good.

R. K. BINKLEY.

In Memorium.

Samuel Perry Gordon was born June 30th, 1859, in Carroll county, Indiana. His mother was the daughter of Abraham Moss, a minister in the Brethren church, well known in his time. Mother died when brother Samuel was but four years old.

In the spring of 1875 father moved with his family to Henry county, Ind., where he yet resides.

Brother Samuel was baptized by brother S. H. Bashor, in the Nettle Creek church, in October, 1879. When he entered college he took his letter of membership with him, and deposited it with the Ashland City church, where we think it yet remains, he not knowing where he would locate.

Brother Samuel entered Ashland College, Ohio, in the fall of 1881, and continued in attendance until June, 1883, when he went to Newark, Ohio, and worked for the Newark Machine Co., keeping the time books. In the fall he came home and visited for a short season among relatives and friends, and on the 26th of September started for the West. He stopped a short time in Kansas, visiting an aunt, and then went to Nebraska. He found employ with Simpson & Sweezy, bankers and land agents, of Blue Hill, Webster county, Nebraska, in October, and worked with them till March, 1884, when he got a situation with Mr. Davis, of the same place, as clerk in his dry goods establishment, where he continued until in October, when he was taken sick, keeping his bed about two weeks, and died about 12 o'clock, Saturday night, Oct. 25th, 1884. Aged 25 years, 3 months, and 25 days.

His friends had telegraphed for father, but father did not get there till all was over, and all that was left of brother Samuel was the casket he inhabited while here with us. No! that was not all that was left! If he had not in his short life time emblazoned his name on Fame's monument, he, we feel had done more, had made three monuments that will live forever; one in the hearts of his father's family and friends, one with his schoolmates at Ashland College, and one at Blue Hill, Nebraska, where friends did all they could for him in his affliction, and showed so much sympathy when father arrived to take charge of the body.

We know he will be much missed in the home circle, and we believe that when those with whom he associated in life think of him they will drop the sympathetic tear.

Father brought the body home, and it was followed to its resting place, Oct. 30th, by quite a concourse of relatives and friends, after a good funeral discourse by brother B. F. Whisler, assisted by Elder Daniel Bowman.

"To live in hearts we leave behind
Is not to die.

We shall strive by the grace of God to meet him in the glory world.

B. L. GORDON.

A Rosebud Plucked by Death.

September 1st, 1883, a bud was given brother Welty and sister Lizzie Fahrney, which made glad their hearts, and won their rich affection by the fragrance of its life; not only the parents but all who knew learned to love the bud of promise, but we are living in time and our fondest hopes are often blasted. November 2nd, 1884, God saw fit to transplant this unfolding flower that it might grow in richer soil and bloom in more congenial atmosphere, so death came and plucked the bud and carried it to our Father's house.

God's pruning knife—death, has a keen edge, and felt for the first time, as it has been by our brother and sister, the severing of the bud from the parental stem was hard to bear, but faith is strong and they realize that "It is well with the child."

Funeral services were held in Fahrney's meeting house, where a large concourse of people gathered, composed of Brethren, United Brethren, German Baptists, Disciples, &c. who, by their presence and tearful eye, showed their sympathy for the bereaved and their love for the little one.

After the last look, the outward form of this fair infant daughter, Ora S. Fahrney, was laid under the sod in the old graveyard to await the dawning of eternity's morn.

While going to the grave the clouds had gathered, but while reading the scripture lesson, the clouds parted and a bright warm ray of sunshine fell across us. While clouds of trouble have gathered about this home, rays from the sun of righteousness pierce them, and one warm bright ray fresh from Jesus is: "Suffer little childen to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God."

JOHN DUKE MCFADEN.

Hagerstown, Md., Nov. 2nd.

Speak with calmness and deliberation on all occasions, especially of circumstances which tend to irritate.

Departure and Arrival.

After enjoying the Christian hospitality of brother Jos. S. Emmert and his kind family, on the night of the 29th of October, at 10:30, wife, daughter and I, in Hagerstown, Md., boarded the north-bound Shanandoah Valley train, for my new field of labor, Dayton, Bear Creek, Covington and Pleasant Hill, Ohio. We were met in Pittsburg by my youngest brother, J. Jay Miller, attorney-at-law, with whom we dined during our brief stay, at the "St Charles", on the 30th. We arrived in the city of Dayton at 12:30, on the 31st, where we were met by brother A. Beegley, who conveyed us to his pleasant home at the western pike joining the National Military Home, on the western end, in whose excellent family we are at this writing, Nov. 1st.

Our journey was not made in as quick time as desirable on account of the stop off in Pittsburg; and, therefore, much of the journey was made after night.

The Brethren here in Bear Creek, began a series of meetings in their new meeting house before our arrival. On account of loss of sleep and fatigue from previous work and travel, we had to decline to go to the meeting last night,—the spirit being willing but the flesh weak,—but, to-night, I propose to preach my introductory, and under all probability continue the meeting for some days yet. Some good results have already characterized the meeting. This shows what the home workers can accomplish by the help of God, if only they will and do.

We are much pleased with the appearance and prospect of our new home and church relation.

E. S. MILLER.

Dayton, Ohio.

Church News.

It may be of interest to the readers of the EVANGELIST to know how the cause is prospering at Burr Oak.

We are still trying to do something in the good cause. On the evening of the 10th of Oct., we commenced a meeting at the Meyers school house, continuing to Sunday evening following, which resulted in the awakening of deep interest upon the part of all in attendance.

The good impressions made during these meetings, we trust may be lasting. We are glad to tell you that two precious souls came out and made the good confession and united with God's children. Others are counting the cost, and, we hope, will soon come out on the Lord's side.

My dear brethren in God's ministry, be encouraged. Go forth and wield the sword of the mighty God of Israel, regardless of what man may say. The gospel of Christ is the power of God unto salvation. Do we all believe this scripture? If so, by the grace of God, let us preach it with all the power within and look to God for good results: for, surely, they will come sooner or later. Too often we lack confidence in God and trust too much in our own strength; and then, perhaps, wonder why the good cause is not more prosperous.

May God help us to trust less in our own strength, and more in the power of God's truth; then, the result will be the conversion of souls and the upbuilding of Zion in the name of Jesus.

C. FORNEY.

Burr Oak, Kansas.

From Bross, Kingman County, Kansas.

DEAR EVANGELIST: I wish to say through the columns of your paper, to those wishing homes in Southern Kansas, will do well by coming to Bross, on the Chikaiska river, in south western Kingman county. The soil is a black sandy loam, the surface is somewhat rolling. We have fine, never failing springs of cool, clear, soft water.

I located here six years ago; the nearest railroad then, was fifty miles and my nearest neighbor ten miles away. Now, there is a railroad within twenty miles of here. A coach passes through here from Kingman City to Medicine Lodge. This is a fine healthy progressive county. Land can be bought at reasonable rates.

Any one wishing to know more about this part of Kansas can address me.

J. M. BAKER.

Did They Retract.

Brother Holsinger wishes to know the result of Vanaman and Gibson's trial at district meeting. They did not retract. They maintained their liberty This I have directly from the mouth of brother Gibson. And this is not all, but they intend to maintain their liberty in the future. These things brother D. B. Gibson told me on the morning of the 9th of last month. Next morning after, his son, J. M. Gibson, was installed into the ministry in the Brethren church.

J. H. SWIHART.